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How do you do that? Often times we use software almost daily without knowing what a powerful tool we have. Then we see someone else do something with that software and we are wowed. In most cases, if we took the time to read the manuals for our software we would know about these things. But really, who takes the time, or rather, who has the time to sit and read a manual to see how something works? In many cases the manuals are at best incomprehensible. Most of us get the software installed and make do with a very basic understanding just so we can get by and get on with it.

Atomic Learning provides web-based software training using, short (1–3 minute), how-to movies. Atomic Learning offers a range of great topics to choose from. Several options I'd like to spend some time exploring include such topics as: Google Docs, Google Sketch Up, Google Earth, Photoshop, and Podcasting.

As I explored Atomic Learning's index of topics, I found myself drawn to training on iDVD. Recently I made three iMovies which I burned to a DVD using iDVD. I really had only a very basic understanding of iDVD. Last night I learned that iDVD has much more to offer than just being an end product for an iMovie. Atomic Learning had many great tutorials which will enable me to use iDVD more effectively. Each section was short and to the point with on-screen demonstrations and easy to understand directions. I found myself quickly loading iDVD and immediately trying out each new trick. If I had a problem, I could simply playback the movie and pay closer attention and try again immediately. I found this be a fantastic way to learn about many software applications that I regularly use.